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RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Decision mailed April 26, 2004, Applicants submit the enclosed Amendment. Applicants contend that the enclosed amendment *prima facie* places the application in condition for allowance and is therefore a proper reply. Cancellation of the rejected claims is to allow the other claims to issue as letters patent, but in no way an admission of unpatentability of the cancelled claims. Further, Applicants note that the Petitions Examiner has acknowledged receipt of the petition fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m) and the statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply was unintentional. Thus, Applicants respectfully request that the present renewed petition be granted and that a notice of allowance be issued in the application.

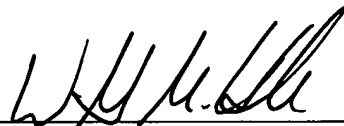
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Petition Dated June 24, 2004  
Reply to Decision of April 26, 2004

In the event that Applicants have overlooked the need for an extension of time, an additional extension of time, payment of fee, or additional payment of fee, Applicants hereby conditionally petition therefore and authorize that any changes be made to Deposit Account No.: 50-3010.

Should you have any questions regarding the enclosed, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 6-24-2004

  
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